



1 Examination of the above-entitled criminal actions reveals  
2 that these actions are related within the meaning of Local Rule  
3 83-123(a) (E.D. Cal. 1997). The actions involve many of the same  
4 defendants and are based on the same or similar claims, the same  
5 property transaction or event, similar questions of fact and the  
6 same questions of law, and would therefore entail a substantial  
7 duplication of labor if heard by different judges. Accordingly,  
8 the assignment of the matters to the same judge is likely to  
9 effect a substantial savings of judicial effort and is also  
10 likely to be convenient for the parties.

11 The parties should be aware that relating the cases under  
12 Local Rule 83-123 merely has the result that both actions are  
13 assigned to the same judge; no consolidation of the action is  
14 effected. Under the regular practice of this court, related  
15 cases are generally assigned to the district judge and magistrate  
16 judge to whom the first filed action was assigned.

17 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the actions denominated CR-S-  
18 05-118, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA v. LEONARDO JAIME-RENDON and CR-  
19 S-05-119, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA v. PEDRO GUADARRAMA-LOPEZ are  
20 reassigned to Judge Morrison C. England, Jr. for all further  
21 proceedings, and any dates currently set in these reassigned  
22 cases only are hereby VACATED. Henceforth, the caption on  
23 documents filed in the reassigned cases shall be shown as CR-S-  
24 05-118 MCE and CR-S-05-119 MCE.

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1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court make  
2 appropriate adjustment in the assignment of criminal cases to  
3 compensate for this reassignment.

4 IT IS SO ORDERED.

5 DATED: May 2, 2005.

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8 MORRISON C. ENGLAND, JR.  
9 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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